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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 747
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Connie Ann Clark for her
laudable service to the citizens of Loudon
County.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to
specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to
improving the quality of life of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Connie Ann Clark is most assuredly one such admirable citizen who is
richly deserving of this Body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Ms. Clark has distinguished herself as a public-spirited
citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, a native of Dowagiac, Michigan, she is a highly-regarded graduate of
Dowagiac Union High School; and

WHEREAS, a distinguished scholar, Connie Ann Clark earned a Bachelor of Arts
Degree in Social Work from Michigan State University in 1968, and a Master of Arts Degree in
Educational Psychology in 1970; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Clark began her professional career as a Claims Examiner for the Social Security Disability Determination Service in Michigan in 1970; through her hard work and determination, she retired, in 1988, from the Social Security Disability Determination Service as the Deputy Director of the Service Section; and

WHEREAS, in June of 1988, she moved to Florida and dedicated her time and energies to volunteer work for many community organizations and programs, including founding the Golf Association for the Lake Henry Golf Club, which she astutely served as a Charter Officer; and

WHEREAS, in December 1992, Connie Ann Clark relocated to Tennessee, where she has continued her outstanding tradition of public service, selflessly working for the betterment of her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Clark serves with acumen and alacrity as the Circuit Court Clerk of Loudon County; elected in 1994 and reelected in 1998, she has earned the respect of her constituents and fellow government officials alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, her remarkable success as a public servant is directly attributable to her reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and her ability to work with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, a conscientious member of her community, Connie Ann Clark is an active member of the Loudon County Republican Women's Club; Loudon County Republican Party; Double "L" Chapter of Loudon County ABWA, which she has previously served as both President and Vice President; Loudon County Chamber of Commerce; Loudon County March of Dimes Steering Committee; and the Tellico Village Women's Club (TFWC), which she presently serves as President; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished leader, Ms. Clark has served for six years with the Loudon County Visitors Bureau; serving the Bureau with distinction as Treasurer for three years; and

WHEREAS, she epitomizes the commitment to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Connie Ann Clark is a faithful and vital member of the Tellico Village Community Church; and

WHEREAS, devoted to her family, Ms. Clark is a loving wife to her husband of twenty-three years, William R. Clark, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, she is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for this General Assembly to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Connie Ann Clark for her exemplary service to the citizens of Loudon County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize Connie Ann Clark for her meritorious service as Circuit Court Clerk of Loudon County, commend her many years of steadfast public service in numerous other arenas, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.